

MASKS
ON
MARYLAND





**We have no more time
for excuses or delays, for
partisan positioning or
political gamesmanship.**



The Washington Post

Maryland plays an outsized role in worldwide hunt for a coronavirus vaccine

Robert McCartney | May 4, 2020



Maryland has spent the past eight months preparing to procure, distribute, and administer COVID-19 vaccines.



VACCINE PREPARATION MEASURES

- **Submitted plan to the CDC**
- **Committed initial \$10M for supplies**
- **Holding regular meetings with Operation Warp Speed and the White House**
- **Working closely with hospitals, local partners**



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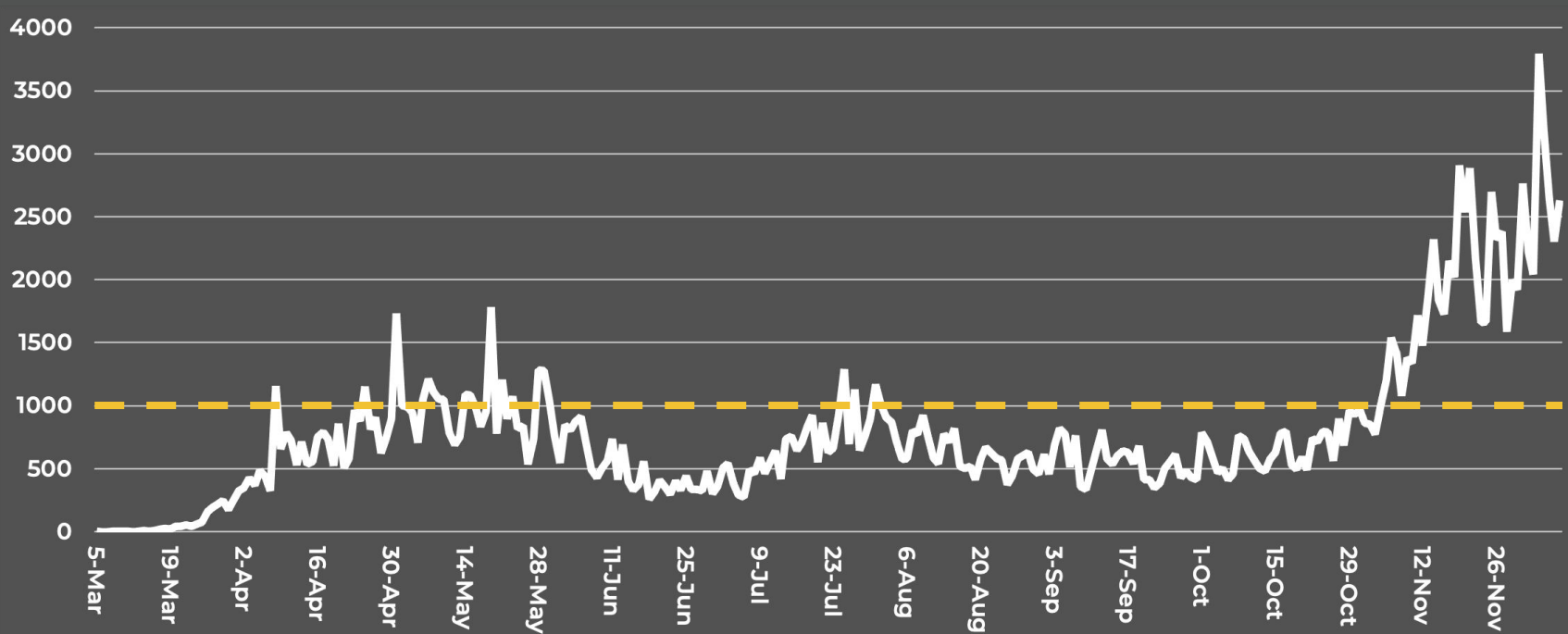
- Ensures that any health care professional will be able to administer COVID-19 vaccines with appropriate training and supervision



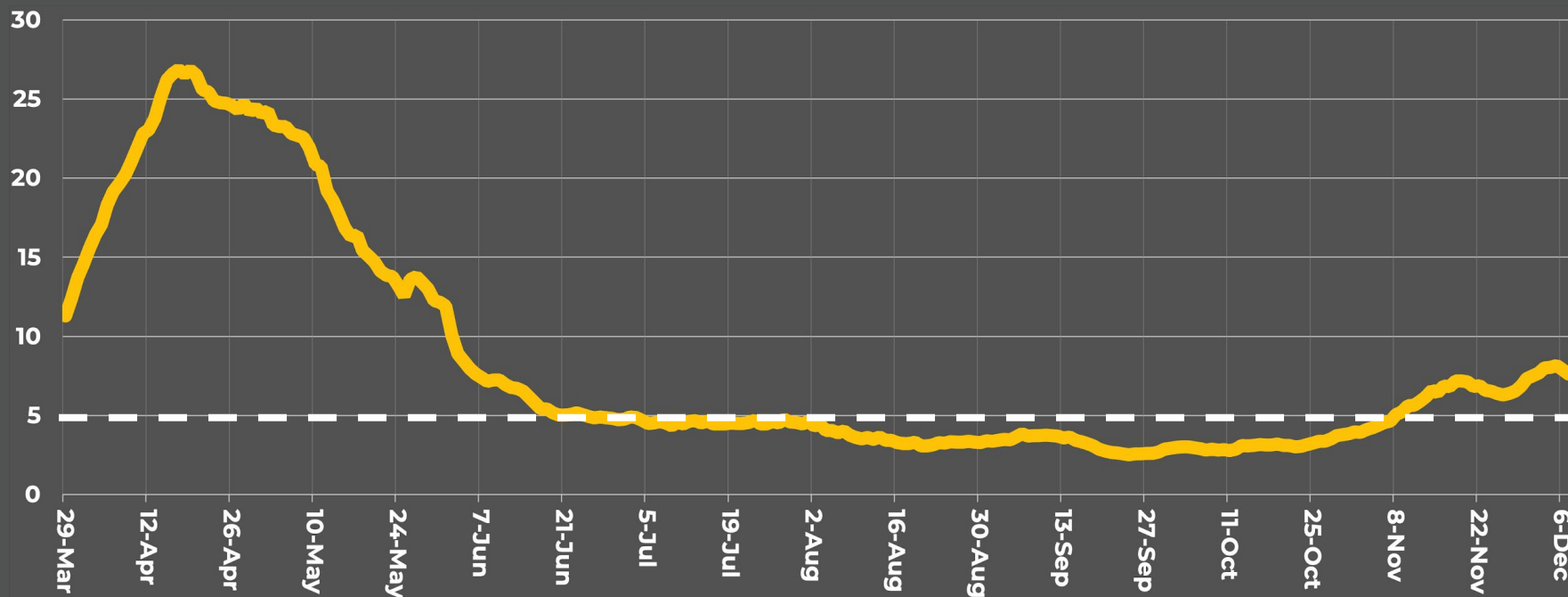
MARYLAND'S COVID-19 METRICS

- **8th best positivity in the nation**
- **9th best case rate**
- **4th best for mask-wearing**

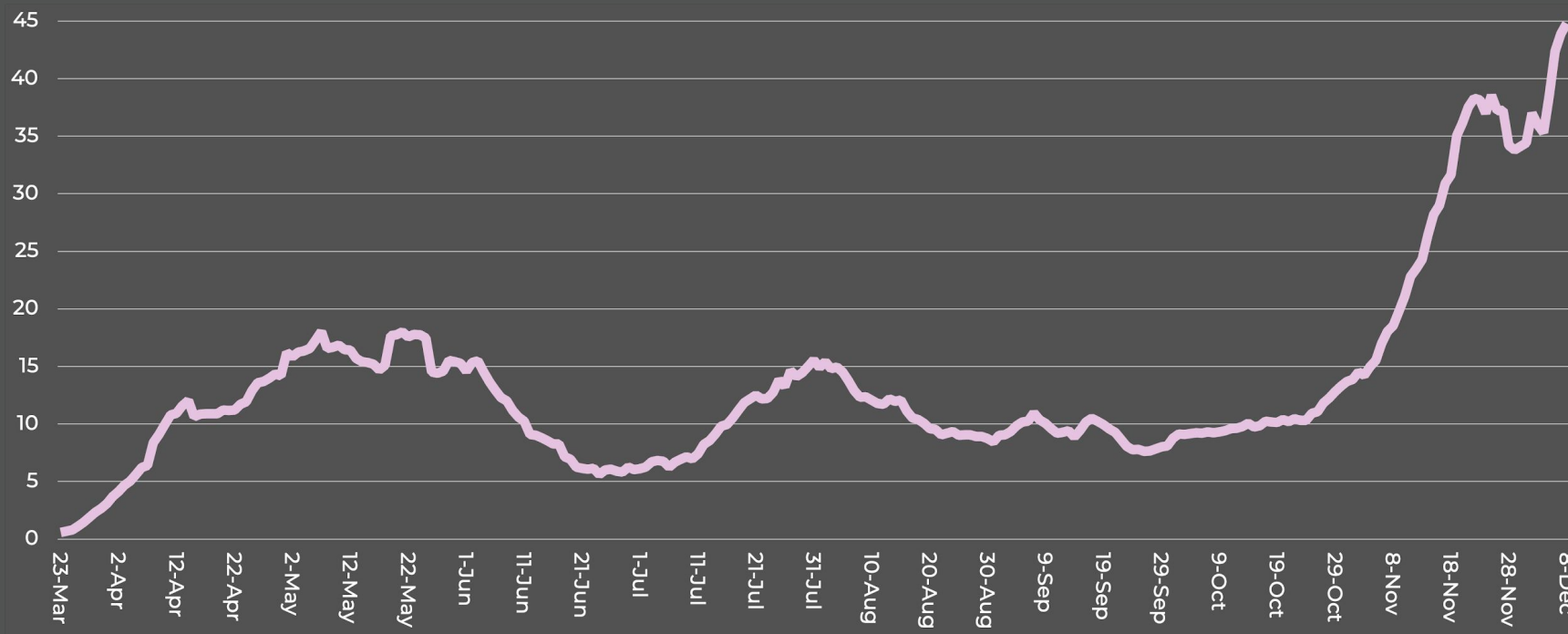
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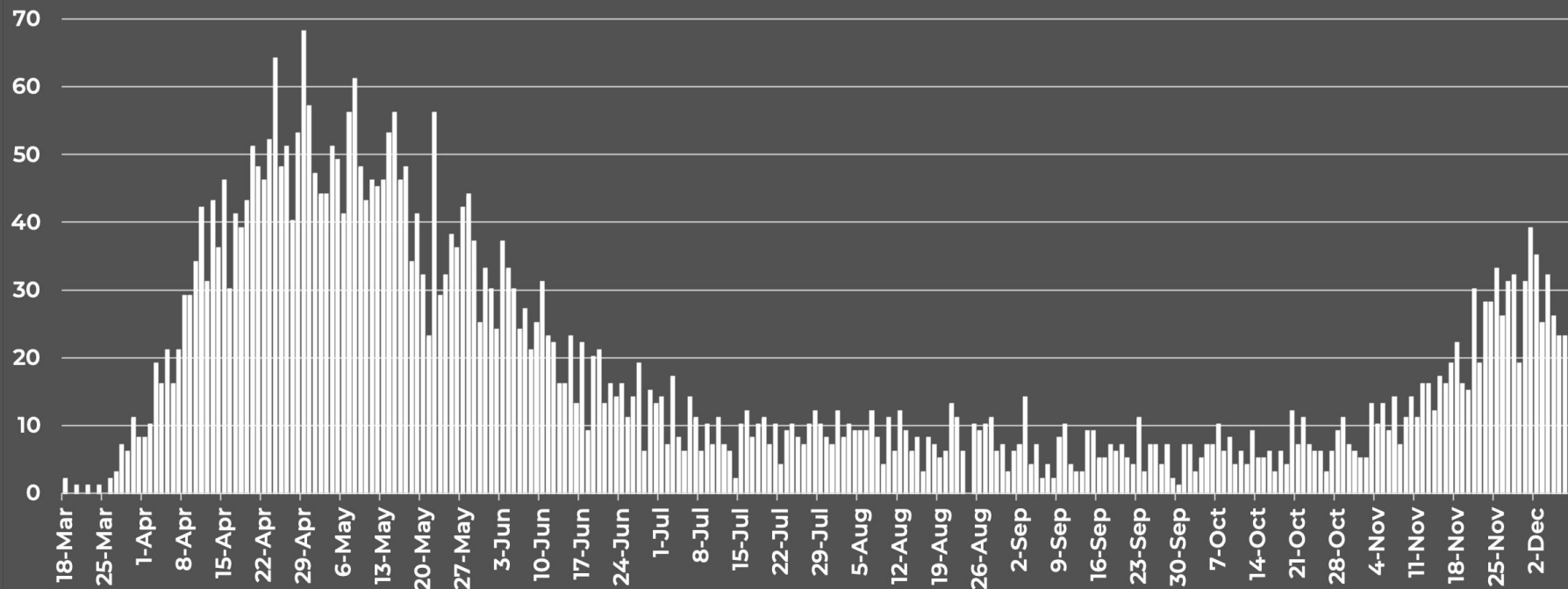
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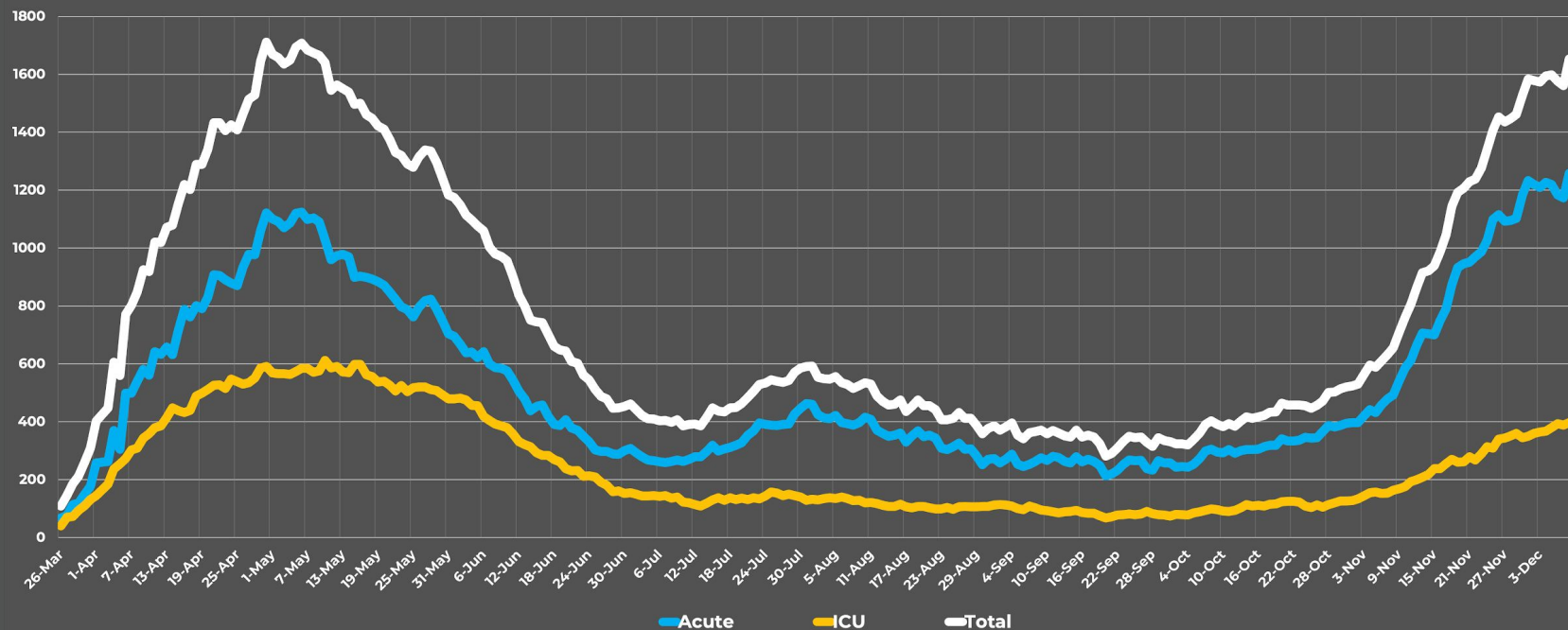
CASE RATE PER 100K



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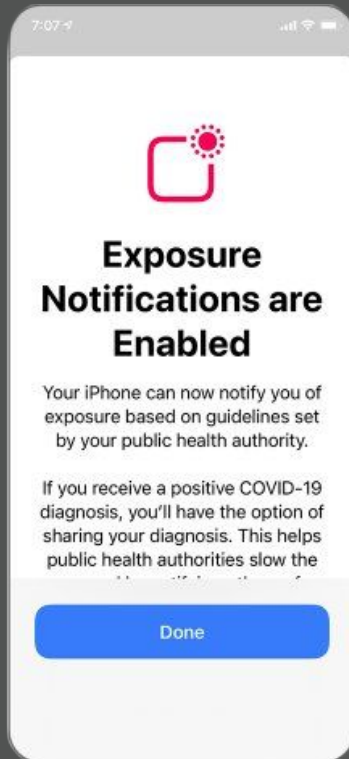
HOSPITALIZATIONS





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**SEEKING MARYLANDERS WITH
CLINICAL BACKGROUNDS**



- iPhone users: Turn on Exposure Notifications in settings
- Android users: Download the MD COVID Alert app on Google Play



ACTIVE COVID-19 CASES

- **190 nursing homes**
- **132 assisted living facilities**



Overview of Maryland COVID-19 Vaccination Planning

Jinlene Chan, M.D., Dep. Sec. (Act.), Public Health Services

Bryan Mroz, Asst. Secretary

Maryland Department of Health

December 8, 2020

Our Goal

Equitable distribution of
safe and **effective** vaccines to
save lives and **ultimately end**
the spread of COVID-19.

Our Planning and Preparation

April: Initial departmental planning begins

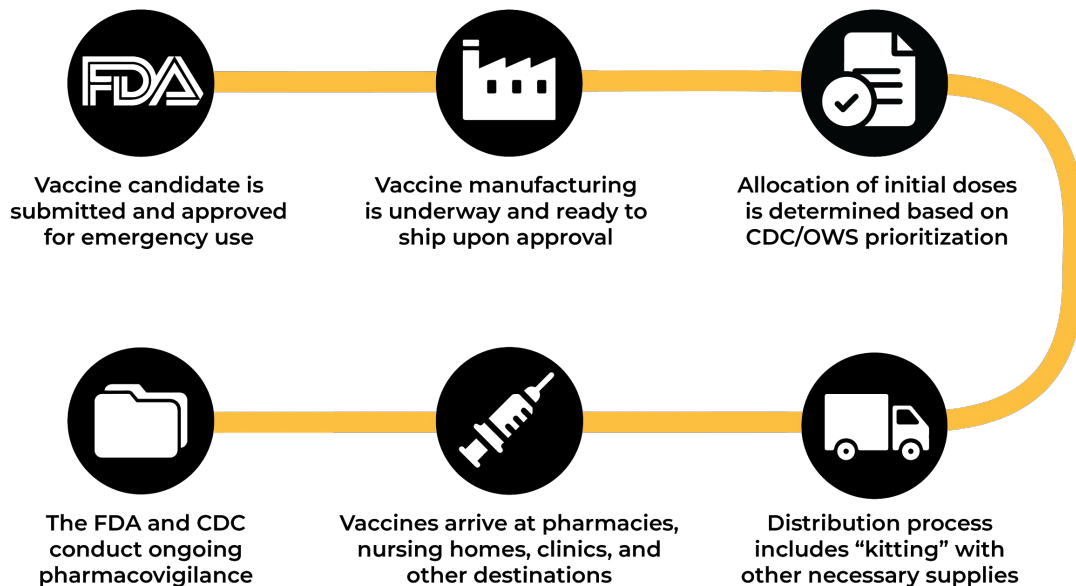
Early Oct: Securing of syringes and supplies begins

Mid Oct: Draft plan submitted to CDC

November: Technical Advisory Group convenes

Mid Nov: Governor Hogan announces \$10M in funding for additional supplies

Development and Distribution



Adapted from materials issued by Operation Warp Speed via hhs.gov and media.defense.gov

Initial Vaccine Candidates



Nov 9: 95% efficacy

Nov 20: Applied for EUA

Dec 10: FDA Advisory
Committee to review

Week of Dec 14: potential
distribution



Nov 16: 94.1% efficacy

Nov 30: Applied for EUA

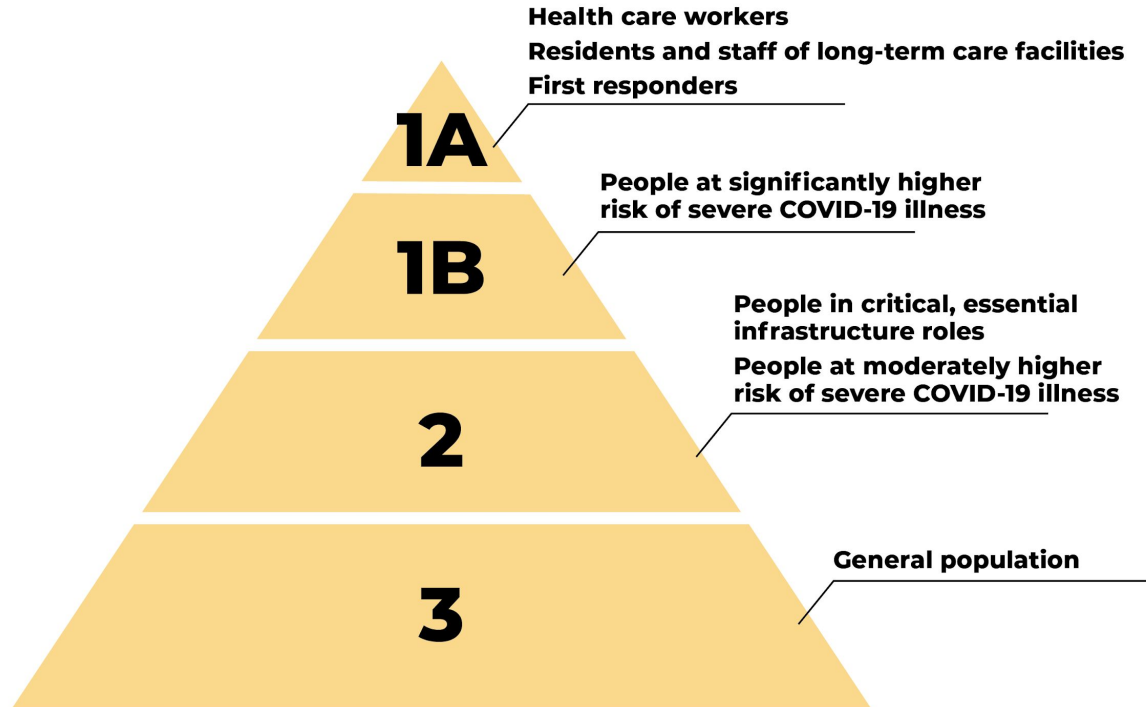
Dec 17: FDA Advisory
Committee to review

Week of Dec 22: potential
distribution

Key Priority Considerations

- Federal recommendations
- Highest risk for COVID-19 disease and complications
- Preserve critical health care capacity

Priority Groups



Safe and Phased Approach

Phase 1

- Vaccination of **critical and high-risk** populations (aligned with federal guidance)
- **Limited availability**
- CDC directly notifies the state of supply and distribution

Safe and Phased Approach

Phase 2

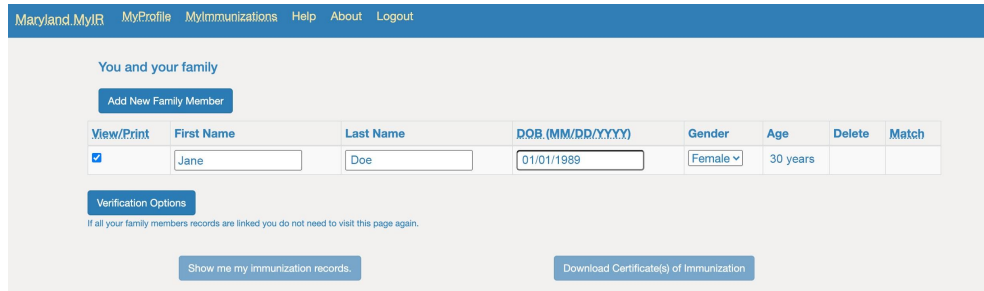
- Begins when Phase 1 targets have been met
- Vaccination of targeted groups, beginning with critical workers
- Vaccination efforts **continue until every Marylander who wants a vaccine is able to get one**

Allocation of Limited Vaccines

- Maryland will align as much as possible with federal recommendations for each vaccine.
- **Phase 1A anticipated initial doses: 155,000**
 - Pfizer: 50,700 doses
 - Moderna: 104,300 doses
- Initial doses will go directly to:
 - Hospital health care workers
 - Long-term care residents and staff

ImmuNet

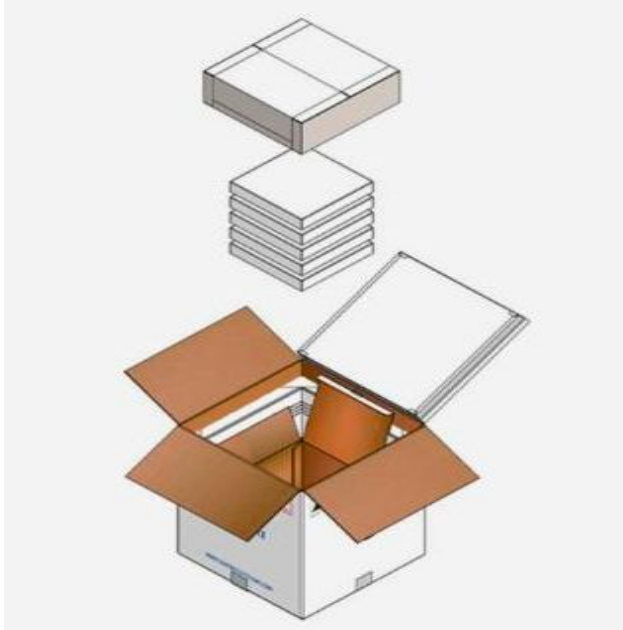
- Maryland's Immunization Information System that stores an individual's vaccination records
- You can access your own vaccination records through **MD.MyIR.net**



The screenshot displays the Maryland MyIR web interface. At the top is a blue navigation bar with links: Maryland MyIR, MyProfile, MyImmunizations, Help, About, and Logout. Below this, the section "You and your family" contains an "Add New Family Member" button. A table lists family members with columns: View/Print, First Name, Last Name, DOB (MM/DD/YYYY), Gender, Age, Delete, and Match. One record is shown for Jane Doe, born 01/01/1989, Female, 30 years old. Below the table is a "Verification Options" section with a note: "If all your family members records are linked you do not need to visit this page again." At the bottom are two buttons: "Show me my immunization records." and "Download Certificate(s) of Immunization".

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Storing the Vaccine



Vaccine Confidence Campaign

- Statewide communications campaign to be led by Governor Hogan
- Hyperlocal: targeted outreach with **trusted community voices and partners**
- Will address **vaccine hesitancy** by communicating clearly **what is known and unknown**
- **Safety information** such as expected side effects must be in language that is easy to understand
- Will provide **rumor control** and address misinformation on social media

Common Questions

- Is the vaccine safe? Are there potential side effects?
- Is the vaccine safe for children?
- Will I need to get vaccinated every year?
- Will I need to wear a mask after getting vaccinated?
- When can I pre-register for the vaccine?

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